IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Thomas W. Leonard Application No.: 10/821,278

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Examiner: Sahar Javanmard

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 29, 2008

Sir:

Applicant provides the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action ("the Action") mailed April 29, 2008. It is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of the following amendment and remarks.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.